BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NOS. 1999-512-C and 2002-291-C - ORDER NO. 2006-644

NOVEMBER 2, 2006

IN RE:	Docket No. 1999-512-C – Application of Budget Phone, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Local Exchange Telecommunications Services within the State of South Carolina.)))	ORDER APPROVING NAME CHANGE
	and)	
	Docket No. 2002-291-C – Application of Budget Phone, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate as a Reseller of Interexchange Telecommunications Services within the State of South Carolina; and Alternative Regulation.)))))))	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on the Application filed August 29, 2006, by Budget Phone, Inc. ("Budget Phone" or the "Company") for approval of a change in the Company's name from Budget Phone, Inc. to Budget PrePay, Inc. d/b/a Budget Phone.

Upon Budget Phone's filing, the Commission's Docketing Department instructed Budget Phone to publish a Notice of Filing in newspapers of general circulation in the areas affected by the Company's request. Budget Phone complied with this instruction and provided the Commission with proof of publication of the Notice of Filing. The purpose of the Notice was to provide notification of the present proceeding to any

interested parties and to advise interested parties of the manner and time in which to file pleadings to participate in the docket. No protests or Petitions to Intervene were filed in this matter.

A review of the Commission's records reveals that Budget Phone was granted authority to provide local exchange telecommunications services throughout the State of South Carolina by Commission Order No. 2000-0289, issued March 24, 2000, and by subsequent orders, Order No. 2002-596 and Order No. 2005-736, in Docket No. 1999-512-C. On March 19, 2003, by Order No. 2003-163, in Docket No. 2002-291-C, the Commission also granted Budget Phone authority to provide resold interexchange telecommunications services in South Carolina.

In its Application, Budget Phone advises the Commission that the Company has effected a name change to Budget PrePay, Inc. d/b/a Budget Phone. Budget Phone attaches to its Application a copy of an Amended Certificate of Authority filed with the South Carolina Secretary of State evidencing the Company's name change. In addition, Budget Phone advises that the Company will file revised tariffs to reflect Budget Phone's new name.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on October 25, 2006, the Commission reviewed the case before it, and after due consideration, the Commission concluded that the request of Budget Phone for approval of a change in the Company's name should be granted. Accordingly, the Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity granted to Budget Phone, Inc. should be amended to reflect the Company's new name of Budget PrePay, Inc. d/b/a Budget Phone.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:

C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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